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COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S
COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 271 OF
THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

DOCKET NO. T00000A-97-0238

STATUS REPORT

On June 27, 2003, the Hearing Division issued a Procedural Order which ordered Qwest and Staff to file a status report on the state of their settlement negotiations or request a procedural schedule in the Section 271 Sub-Docket no later than July 11, 2003. Staff and Qwest hereby file this Status Report in accordance with the June 27, 2003, Procedural Order.

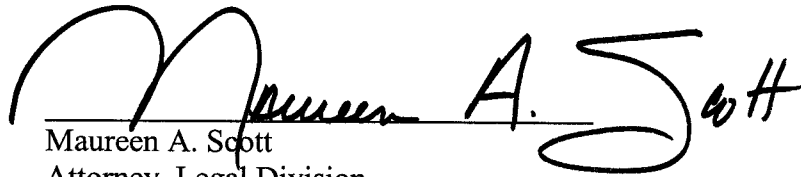
Staff and Qwest agreed upon principles of settlement to resolve this Docket, as well as two other enforcement dockets involving Qwest and unfiled agreements under Section 252(e) of the Federal Act and an OSC with respect to Qwest's implementation of new wholesale rates ordered by the Commission on June 12, 2002. On July 3, 2003, Staff e-mailed the principles of settlement that it had reached with Qwest to all active parties in the three Dockets. Parties were asked to comment on the principles of settlement and Staff had a meeting with all interested parties, including Qwest, yesterday to discuss the principles of settlement and parties' comments on them.

Today, Staff sent its latest draft of the Settlement Agreement to active Parties via e-mail to review and comment upon. Staff has scheduled another meeting with the Parties on Monday afternoon July 14, 2003, to discuss the Settlement Agreement. Staff anticipates filing the Settlement Agreement sometime next week.

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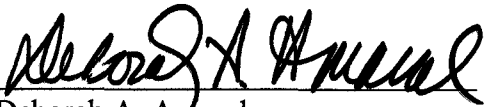
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